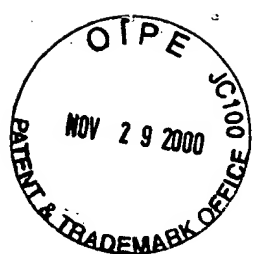


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IMAGE AND COMMUNICATION)
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the Japanese language document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of that listed document is also enclosed.

Applicants have obtained from the Japanese Patent Office an English language abstract for the listed document, a copy of which is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. Applicants submit that the document may be relevant for the disclosure in that abstract.

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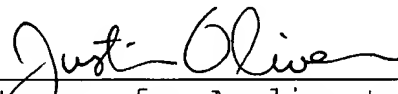
No fee is believed due in connection with this paper; however, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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